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RE: OSDF Phase IV Construction Documentation

Dear Mr. Reising:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has completed its review of the United States Department of Energy's (U.S. DOE) Phase IV construction documents for the On-Site Disposal Facility (OSDF). Phase IV of the OSDF involves construction of cells 4 and 5 and closure of cell 2.

U.S. EPA reviewed the documents for technical adequacy, and completeness. The drawings and specifications are technically adequate and have been prepared in accordance with standard engineering practices. The changes to the support plans and calculations for Phase IV construction of the OSDF are complete.

Therefore, U.S. EPA approves the OSDF Phase IV construction documentation. This approval in no way certifies the design for construction. In addition, U.S. EPA's approval does not imply that the remedy, when constructed, will meet the performance standards or be accepted.

Please contact me at (312) 886-0992 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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